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THE CHURCHES.**First Presbyterian.**

Rev. George L. Curtis, Pastor. Sunday services: Morning worship 10:30 Sabbath-school, 12:10. Christian Endeavor, 7:00. Evening worship, 7:45 o'clock. Prayer-meeting each Wednesday night

Westminster Church.

Rev. George A. Pauli, Pastor. Divine Worship at 10:30 A. M. and 7:45 P. M. Sunday-school at 12 M. Young People's Prayer Meeting at 6:45 P. M. A cordial welcome all.

Park Methodist Episcopal.

Rev. Dr. C. S. Woodruff, pastor. Men's meeting Mizpah Brotherhood 7:45 A. M. Church Services at 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday-school at 12 M. Vesper service Epworth League 7 P. M. Tuesday evening's classes meet at 8 P. M. Wednesday evening, prayer Service at 8 P. M. Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock Junior Epworth League.

German Presbyterian.

Sunday services: Preaching by the pastor, Rev. Remi J. Buttinghausen, at 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday-school at 2:15 P. M. Prayer-meeting, Tuesday at 8 P. M. Young People's Society, Friday, at 8 P. M. Young Men's Christian Association meets on Thursday evenings at 8 P. M.

First Baptist Church.

Rev. Fred W. Bule, pastor. Sabbath preaching services at 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday-school at 12 M. Young Men's Prayer and Soul Winner's Circle, Sabbath at 6:45 P. M. Christian Endeavor meeting Tuesday at 8 P. M. General Prayer and Conference meeting Wednesday at 8 P. M. Junior Endeavor Friday at 3:30 P. M. Everybody welcome. All seats free.

Unity Church (Unitarian).

Rev. Leslie Willis Sprague, B. D. Minister, Church Street, Montclair, next door to the Public Library. Sunday service at 10:45. Sunday-school at 12 o'clock. The Minister will speak to-morrow morning. Topic: "The Perfect Law." All seats are free, and the public is cordially invited.

Bloomfield Mission.

Glenwood Avenue, near Centre. Sunday-school at 3:30 P. M. Gospel service on Sabbath evening at 8 o'clock.

Watseking M. E. Church.

Rev. S. Trevena Jackson, Ph. D., Pastor. Devotional Meeting, 9:30 A. M.; Preaching, 10:30 A. M., subject, "Good Cheer." Sunday-school at 2:30 P. M. Epworth League, at 6:30 P. M. Preaching at 7:30 P. M., subject, "Does Death End All?"

Church of the Sacred Heart.

The Rev. J. M. Nardello, pastor. First Mass, 6:30 A. M. Mass and sermon, 8:30 A. M. High Mass and sermon, 10:30 A. M. Sunday-school 3 P. M. Vesper service, 3:30 P. M.

Christ Episcopal.

Corner Bloomfield and Park Avenues. The Rev. Edwin A. White, rector. SUNDAY SERVICES: Celebration of Holy Communion, 8 A. M. Morning prayer and sermon, 11 A. M. Sunday-school at 9:30 A. M. Choral Evensong at 4:30 P. M.

East Orange Baptist Church.

Prospect Street. Services at 11 o'clock A. M. and 7:45 P. M. Sunday School at 2:30 P. M. Prayer-meeting at 7:45 Friday evening.

Montgomery Chapel.

Wilson S. Phaner, Superintendent. Preaching every Sunday evening at 8 o'clock. Service of Song at 7:45 P. M. Sunday-school at 3 P. M. Young People's meeting at 7:15 P. M.

During the week the gymnasium and reading-room will be open for men and boys on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Saturday evenings from 7:30 to 10 P. M. and Saturday afternoons from 2:30 to 5:30 P. M.; for ladies and girls on Thursday evening from 7:30 to 10 P. M. Montgomery Chapel Cadets will drill on Friday evening.

Assumption Chapel—Episcopal.

Corner Montgomery Street and Berkeley Avenue. Rev. Edwin A. White, Minister in charge. Holy Communion 8:30 A. M. Sundays. Sunday-school at 2:30 P. M. Evening service at 7:45 o'clock.

Silver Lake Union Chapel.

Franklin street, corner Belmont avenue. Sabbath services: Sunday-school, 8:30 A. M. Preaching, 8 P. M. Week-day prayer meeting, Thursday evening 8 P. M. Everybody welcome.

Grace Ridge Congregational.

Corner of Ridgewood Avenue and Clark Street. Rev. Elliott Wilber Brown, D.D., pastor. Sunday Services, 10:45 A. M. and 7:45 P. M. Sabbath-school at 12 o'clock. Young People's Society Christian Endeavor at 7 P. M. Wednesday evening prayer-meeting at 8 o'clock.

St. John's Lutheran Church.

Corner Liberty Street and Austin Place. Rev. H. A. Steiniger, pastor. Services 10:45 A. M. and 7:45 P. M. Sunday-school at 2 P. M. Ladies' Aid Society, first Sabbath of every month at 3 P. M. Junior Society last Thursday of every month at 7:45 P. M.

A Dog and Chicken Story.
Oliver Goldsmith's "History of Annotated Nature" is not classed among authoritative works treating on animals, reptiles and fowls. One reason for refusing to confer authoritative distinction upon the famous author of the "Vicar of Wakefield's" work in the realms of nature is perhaps due to a tendency to incline too much toward the romantic in nature and give too much and too serious credence to the alleged marvelous exploits of horses, cows, dogs, snakes and fowls.

The truth probably is that Goldsmith's critics failed of his wider experience and with a narrowness characteristic of egotism condemned simply because they had not seen or heard of the wonderful exploits among the lower animals that it had been Goldsmith's good fortune to meet with and hear of in his wanderings among the people in European countries.

In modern times, when the daily newspapers have made the broader experience in every phase of life an open book to everybody, it is now evident that Goldsmith was simply in advance of his age, and the daily chronicles of the extraordinary performances of dogs, cats, birds, snakes and other beasts and reptiles outside Goldsmith's entertaining book every day.

Here in Bloomfield there is perhaps a fuller exemplification of the Goldsmithian view of nature than is found or enjoyed in any other community in the world. Over in New York and Brooklyn they know Bloomfield better for the marvelous qualities of its animals than for any other feature of local life. A New Yorker will throw aside his "Aesop's Fables" any day to read a dog, cat, chicken or snake story from this town.

Bloomfield snakes have played some marvelous escapades as chronicled in New York papers. Bloomfield snakes have been seen with flowing gray beards. Bloomfield snakes have been caught milking cows, have held up farmers along the road by coiling around wagon axles and performed many other feats of cunning and valor. Bloomfield cats have aroused their owners in cases of fire and thus saved lives; have nourished the sick by daily bringing home a fresh killed rabbit or bird; have acted as burglar alarms and have performed many other benevolent and timely deeds. Bloomfield dogs have enabled their owners to evade the excise laws by taking the "growler" to a saloon and getting it filled; have locked storm drains; have bitten ropes in pieces in order to lead horses from burning barns, have followed children to bathing pools in order to be on hand for purposes of rescue; have blocked the trolley lines in attempt at suicide on the tracks. Bloomfield geese have chased letter-carriers from premises; Bloomfield chickens have deliberately flown into passing automobiles for purposes of a ride, and the wonderful feats of Bloomfield horses and cows are so numerous and familiar that there is no need of further mention.

It was supposed that Bloomfield had reached the limit in prodigies of nature but the field appears to be无限able and the latest addition to animal romancing is a combination dog and chicken story by Edward G. Naumann of Llewellyn avenue. Mr. Naumann is with the Prudential Insurance Company and the Prudential is backed by the Rock of Gibraltar, therefore the story rests on a firm foundation.

Mr. Naumann, according to his own story, has a pet dog and some little chickens. The chickens were brought to life in an incubator and when they were turned out of the incubator the little ones were dazed and Mr. Naumann felt grieved over the absence of parental control and care for the little ones.

The pet dog was basking in the sunshine the day the little chickens were turned out to scratch and one of the little chickens butted up against it, and immediately took shelter under the dog's wool.

The seven other little chicks followed suit and the whole batch nestled with the dog. The dog did not resent the intrusion upon his peaceful slumber and the chickens made themselves much at home, making short excursions from their shelter and then running back again. When the dog got up and moved it was followed by the batch of little chickens and when it lay down again the chicks again used it for a shelter.

The intimacy so strangely formed continued and developed into a mutual attachment and the dog assumed a guardianship over the chickens. The dog always enjoyed free run of the house and one day his wife charged off with him into the dining room. The dog, Mr. Naumann says, is a wonderful guardian and protector for the chickens. While there are no fences around Llewellyn avenue premises yet such is the sagaciousness of Mr. Naumann's dog and its intuitive ideas of surveying and geography, that if the chickens attempt to cross the line of the Naumann place the dog noses them back to their proper bounds and if a cat appears in the neighborhood the dog immediately puts it to flight. The dog is very considerate of his charges and when they want to rest it lies down and the chickens huddle up against it. Mr. Naumann is enthused over the conduct of his dog, and he also thinks he sees a scheme for financial profit in view, and at the next meeting of the Second Ward Republicans Club he is going to invite opinions as to what the results would be if a brood of pure game chickens were raised under the guardianship of a thoroughbred bulldog.

Conflicting Assertions.

Among the numerous tax appeals heard by the local Commissioners of Appeal last winter many were from residents of Newark owning property here and also in Newark, and the basis of appeal was on a comparison of valuations between here and Newark. They cited their own particular property as proof of their assertions. It is common experience that there are varied and conflicting opinions as to the value of property for purposes of taxation. The Newark Board of Assessors make assertions that conflict queerly with those of Newark property owners. The following is a published interview between a newspaper reporter and the Newark taxing officials:

It was evident, when the subject was brought to their attention, that the members of the Newark Tax Board had familiarized themselves with the contents of the circular letter adopted by the State Board of Equalization of Taxes at its meeting in Atlantic City on Wednesday.

The local officials, however, do not consider that in indulging in criticism of the manner in which some local boards have interpreted the Constitution and carried out their methods of ascertaining taxable value, the State board referred to the Newark board or its methods.

"Have you read the circular letter to local boards adopted by the State Board of Equalization of Taxes?" President Swain was asked.

"Yes," he replied.

"Does the statement embodied in the letter, that the law has been violated in some taxing districts by the practice of undervaluing taxable property, contrary to the constitutional requirement, refer to the Newark board?"

"It does not affect this board," replied Mr. Swain. "It has always been the rule and the practice of this board to assess property at 100 per cent., or at what is the judgment of the commissioners is the true value of the property."

The same question was asked Commissioner Lowy, the senior member of the board. He smiled and replied:

"The statements contained in the circular letter printed by the State Board contain nothing that is new to me. I have known it all for at least seventeen years, which has been the length of my service in this board. Of course property must be assessed, not at forty or ninety per cent., but at its true value, and that is the way we assess in Newark. The letter of the State Board, therefore, does not affect our board."

"Has the State Board given you any light as to how additional personal property may be discovered?" Mr. Lowy was asked.

"No; and if there is to be any material increase in the amount of personal property to be assessed, there is but one tangible way to do it, in my estimation. That is to repeal the laws that exempt certain classes of property from taxation. Securities of great value, in the aggregate, escape taxation because the law exempts them from taxation."

Election of Officers.

The Women's Club of Westminster Presbyterian Church, at its annual meeting Tuesday night elected these officers for the year: President, Miss Jennie A. Smith; first vice-president, Miss Grace Young; second vice-president, Miss Margaret S. Jarvie; secretary, Mr. Alice H. Ward; treasurer, Mrs. Alfred B. Van Liew; assistant treasurer, Miss Helen V. Newton; physical director, Miss Mabel Freeman.

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